

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

Xian jian DONG,

Plaintiff,

-against-

Monty Wilkinson, Acting U.S. Attorney
General U.S. Department of Justice, Alejandro
Mayorkas, Secretary U.S. Department of
Homeland Security, Tracy Renaud, Director,
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service,
Gregory Richardson, Director, U.S. CIS Texas
Service Center, Susan Quintana, Field Office
Director U.S. Citizenship & Immigration
Services New York City District Office,
Christopher Wray, Director Federal Bureau of
Investigation,

Defendants.

ANALISA TORRES, District Judge:

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ORDER

To protect the public health, while promoting the “just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding,” Fed. R. Civ. P. 1, it is ORDERED pursuant to Rules 30(b)(3) and 30(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that all depositions in this action may be taken via telephone, videoconference, or other remote means. It is further ORDERED pursuant to Rule 30(b)(5) that a deposition will be deemed to have taken place “before an officer appointed or designated under Rule 28” if such officer attends the deposition using the same remote means used to connect all other participants, so long as all participants (including the officer) can clearly hear and be heard by all other participants. The parties are encouraged to engage in discovery through remote means at every available opportunity.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 19, 2021
New York, New York



ANALISA TORRES
United States District Judge